

"WEST SIDE MISSION," CHICAGO.

From Kings Children.

Dear readers.—I failed to get a letter to our Editor last month. But work seemed to roll in so fast and so much of it, that I really could not. Every day brings its work and there are so many people to visit, the sick and the suffering. Oh, there is so much of it here; really I do not see how some poor families live. There is so much suffering from cold and hunger. But the city of Chicago never was so charitable as it has been since the cold change came. They asked no questions but gave when and what was asked and yet not near all were reached. Only last Saturday about 2 o'clock we went over to the Mission to practice with the children for an entertainment. After being there a few moments I noticed two little girls outside the window looking at the books and pictures inside. I went out and talked with them, asked them in to warm. Their clothing had seen its best days. Each had a basket into which they intended to put bread, if they got any by asking for it, they had none then. We had them stay until I got through with the little folks; also came back from looking after a poor lady with a very sick baby. I started home with them. One of them lamented so about their not getting bread. I told them not to mind, I would fix that, but I did not know then how I was going to do it, but we reached their home. Three more smaller children and parents, making 7 in that home. Ah, dear readers, you know not how well off you are. I cannot picture to you the scene that met my eyes, suffering sorrow and want. How I wished for money to help them, food to give, etc. No work was the cause of their circumstances, six families living in an old frame building, cold, water pipes all frozen. Oh how my heart ached for them as the mothers and fathers told me their sad story weeping for their little ones. Some of the smaller ones had not clothing enough to cover their little bare bodies. We had a few articles left from the boxes sent us at Xmas. We could help them a little, but as for food I did not know what to do. But thank the Lord, when I got home there was a box of provisions for the poor from the Sisters Society at Mulberry. I wish those dear sisters that sent it could have seen how glad it made them. They could not thank us enough for that help. We pointed them to Christ and the Father—to them you must give thanks. All that could come, have been at the mission every service since then. They need help, and many more like them, too. Oh, cannot a goodly number of you help us to help those suffering ones. You don't know how much good you can do and how

much happiness you can bring to them. Can you not?

Will you do something that your own Chicago Mission may relieve some of the suffering around us? Clothing, provision or something to get it with. Pray for us and help us. Now that is just one place that I was in last Saturday, Jan. 30. I could tell you about a good many more in the same condition, nearly all of them out of Christ. They need teaching, they need training, they need Christ.

KING'S CHILDREN.

I wish you could have been here last night (Jan. 31.) We had a glorious meeting—consecration service. There was only one thing lacking and that was some of the members were sick and absent and Brother McFaden not there, being called to Millford, Ind. We have 50 members. Brother Haggard led the meeting. A splendid leader, filled with the Holy Ghost and peace of God. We thought best to have but one service that night. It was 9:20 when we closed our meeting, and then we were sorry to close. One of our friends a young man from the south side spent Sunday with us, and very kindly furnished music for us, along with Brother Lehman who assists us with music. Our regular organist is sister Maud Reed, who last Wednesday, with 6 other precious souls, were buried in baptism and taken into the church, making 9 that have anchored with us and more soon will be with us in like manner. Many others have come to be co-workers with us and God is blessing our efforts and crowning them with fruit. We have grand meetings every night, another young man came to Christ last week. Sunday-school is growing to be quite large, we have 6 classes now; and our Juniors are doing nicely and still they come. They that have the badges are so pleased with them, hope soon to have one for each one, and the Seniors too. Preaching attendance splendid. Come and visit us. Glad to have you.

MONDAY NIGHT.

We have had a glorious two days this week, good meetings all day yesterday; also to night. Brother McFaden has not yet returned from Milford, Ind. Look for him to-morrow. This evening we were very agreeably surprised by Brother Cunningham of Loree, Ind. We are glad that we could have him attend our services and he gave us many words of encouragement and advice. He is an old soldier in this warfare and knows what he is talking about, all of which we appreciate very much. We want him to come again. He also told us that he and his

people were praying for our work here, and they are helping us to bring happiness to the poor folks. They are getting up another box of provision and clothing for us. Many others are doing the same thing to help us to help others. May God bless them in every effort.

Then, too, loved ones have thought of our own welfare in the Mission Home, that when the weather would be cold and freezing we might be comfortable. A box from Garrison, Iowa, brought some lovely bedding besides some good things to eat, and from Sterling, Ill., sister Leah Sprinkle and the "Inasmuch Circle of the King's Daughters" sent a beautiful comforter and a dozen dressed dolls for the little Juniors, and how they did enjoy them.

A box of children's clothing came Saturday from Mrs. Jacob Klocks of Williamson, Pa. A number of little folks were made warm and happy by that gift and parents so thankful. Blessings are in store for the givers. Others are preparing boxes to send us. So the good work will go on. We give God all the praise for everything that is done in His name. Little Morse Hoover sent us a cap and some of his clothes for a little boy. When that little boy got the clothes he was very glad and said, "Some day I will see that good little boy, mamma, won't I?"

SADIE GIBBONS.

Children's Department.**OUR LETTER BOX.**

Dear Boys and Girls:—Since we last reported to you we received a dime from each of the following persons: Carl Lashaw, Estes Park, Colo. Carrie E. Trent, Listie, Pa. J. Henry Hockman, Mt. Olive, Va. Clyde E. R. Wallace, Hamlin, Kans. Walter Barnhart, Twelve Mile, Ind. We have now several dollars more than asked for to send the papers to Chicago, and if the children wish to send more money for the Mission, give it to help pay for the baptistery. We are in receipt of \$1.50 toward this fund credited to the following persons:

M. B. Summers, Louisville, Ohio,	\$.25
Elsie Summers, " "	.25
Zilpha Summers, " "	.25
Clinton Summers, " "	.25
Bertha Weimer, Carleton, Nebr.,	.25
May Weimer, " "	.20
Hazel Kelso, " "	.10

Total, \$1.50

Dear Editor:—I thought I would write for the children's page for I think some one would like to know that we have a K. C. at Loree. Mr. D. A.